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to cut the goods and send them over our piece at a time marked sample.' Half a trousers' leg came first, then half a coat

trousers' leg came first, then half a cost sieeve, and so on, until I had the whole business. Then I simply took it to a tailor here and had him sew it together, put the lining in and the buttons on."
"You have a large brain."
"Well, I should say. I would have been right in it for the last hot weather if it had it taken so long to get the whole suit over, but 170 be all right for a starter on but the contract of the same and the contract of the same and th next year anyway, and there is more cor next year anyway, and there is more com-ing too."

"Say," began the man with the calcula-ting eye sublicity. "How much did the tailor here charge you for putting it to-gether and all that sort of thing?"

"I don't know exactly, but something like \$30 or \$25. You see he put slik lining."

in because the cloth was so fine, and he made a regular Poble job of the fit."

"And how much did the express charges amount to?"

"Oh, not much. Not more than \$5 at the largest. What are you driving at?"
"Come in and buy me a drink," said the calculator. "You're the biggest idiot Premet in 10 days. You've actually bought a \$15 suit for \$45."—New York Hernid.

Ways of Medieval Mathematicians. Tariaglia discovered the solution of cable equations. Cardan employed toward him all the persuasions in his power to obtain, a communication to himself of the famous discovery. "I swear to you on the hely gaspels, he promised, "that if you teach me your discoveries I will never publish them and will be dies record them for myself in etpher, so that no one shall be able to understand them after my death." Tartaglia, trusting in Cardan's good faith, communicated to him his rules.

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Cardan, assisted by his pupil, Ferrari, succeeded in extending the rules, solved equations of the fourth degree and published the whole in the "Ars Magna." Tartaglia irritated at the algebraist astrologer's violation of his word, fell into a violent rage. He sent to his enemy several challenges. Cardan finally agreed to attend a disputation, which was to be held in a church in Milan on Aug. 19, 1548. He did not appear, but sent his puril. Ferrari. did not appear, but sent his pupil, Ferrari, Ferrari bore his part in the contest alone, and the affair would have resulted in favor of Tarnglia if the hostile attitude of Car-Wide Japanese Crepe, white and colr'd, dan's friends had not caused him to leave Milan by a byroad. — Popular Science Monthly.

> An Entemological Paradox. Of all the wonderful creations of nature few will excite greater amazement if given microscopic examination and careful attention than the common little insect known as the "vine fretter." Catch one of these little mites at the moment of its birth, this in the spring or early summer—they are actually born and not batched as other insects are—and put it where it has no chance of contact with others of its species.

chance of contact with others of its species.

Within a surprisingly short period it will give birth to others of its kind. Instantly isolate the new arrivals, and after they have acquired a certain growth it will be noted that they, too, are reproducing their kind, just as their progenitor had done, all of which proves that these beings of extraordinary fecundity are real androgynous creatures without distinctive sex.

During the spring and early summer all vine fretters are viviparous—that is, they bring forth their young alive. Toward the beginning of autumn, strange as it may seem, all is chanced among the new as well as the older generations, each laying eggs which are not hatched until the return of warm weather the following spring.—St. Louis Republic.

New Brickmaking Machine

A new brick baking machine is to be noted among the recent mechanical novelnoted among the recent mechanical novel-ties. It is a simple contrivance, consisting of a table covered with iron brick molds, to which an electric current is applied, the table being 8 by it feet, and holding 1,000 moids, joined together like pigeon holes. Each mold is the size of a brick which has been pressed but not baked, and each has a cover so fitted as to follow the brick as it Jos. Schlitz Milwaukee Brewing cover so fitted as to follow the brick as it shrinks. The bricks are taken from the presses and placed in the molds, the cover adjusted and the current turned on. The fron sides of the molds form the "resistance," and the bricks are virtually inclosed by walls of fire. The bricks having shrunk to the proper size, the sinking covers of the molds automatically turn off the current, the baking is done, and the bricks are dumped.—New York Sun. Company's PIL-

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Six members of the United States have passed the seventeth year age. Mr. Morrill of Vermont heeds the with his Si years. Next comes Mr. Harris of Tyon 17 Mr. Purch of Althous in 7 Mr. Sherman of Ohio and Mr. Hunton of Viginia are each 10 years old. There are no several frisky youngsters in the senate, and the average age of the members is about 1 years said 6 months.

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Second Ditto—In what way?
First Ditto—I broke one of my rib A Great Love.

"And do you love him, child?"
"Love him, mamma" I've seen his tank-book?"—Tu-litta